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The Daily Press.

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HONGKONG, 6th JANUARY, 1904

"The Japanese Government regards the  
situation as practically amounting to a state  
of war." This is the alarming conclusion  
which our Kobe correspondent draws from  
the notification issued yesterday by the War  
Department at Tokyo, prohibiting the news-  
papers from publishing the movements of  
troops or anything calculated to disclose  
strategic plans. And indeed it is hardly  
possible to draw any other conclusion from  
this ominous step. Compared with such  
action on the part of the Japanese Govern-  
ment, news of a pacific nature arriving from  
St. Petersburg or from Paris and Berlin,  
inspired by St. Petersburg, counts but little.  
We have before spoken of the unwisdom of  
trusting much in the peaceful prophecies  
which have their origin in the Russian capi-  
tal. It was only too obviously to Russia's  
interest to persuade the nations, most of  
them readily credulous, that she desired  
only peace. As long as Tokyo remained  
hopeful, prospects were fair; when doubts  
succeeded, there was ground for fear; and  
now it must be admitted that the "cloud in  
the East" looks terribly dark. A rather  
significant departmental change in Japan is  
to be noted in a telegram from Tokyo to the  
North-China Daily News on the 29th Decem-  
ber, which stated that an amendment issued  
from the Imperial Military Headquarters  
places the Naval Department on an equal  
footing with the General Staff, which  
hitherto had precedence. It is interesting  
in this connection to mention that we have  
just been enabled to see an opinion on the  
position in the North at the end of last year  
by an authority (neither Japanese, Russian,  
or British, we may mention) well competent

and in a position to gather the state of affairs.  
In the first place he did not believe in the  
likelihood of an outbreak before the spring.  
The Japanese Navy, however, was anxious  
to act at once, but the Army was in favour  
of delay. The eagerness of the Navy is  
easily explicable, when we recall the presence  
of the Eastward-bound Russian squadron  
in the Mediterranean. Whether the extra  
weight now given to the Navy Department  
has produced any change in the situation is  
perhaps worth consideration. There is  
certainly very great strength in the argu-  
ment which we have attributed to the  
Japanese Naval experts, if war is inevitable.  
In this unhappy event, it is essential that  
Japan should not wait for the Russian fleet  
to outnumber hers. Should war break out  
at this moment, Russia's reinforcements  
cannot reach the Far East, for want of coal,  
which the demands of neutrality must  
prevent any nation's coaling-stations from  
supplying to her, under penalty of bringing  
into operation the Anglo-Japanese Alliance.  
As friends of Japan we must hope that, if  
war cannot be prevented, it may commence  
at once and enable Japan to put the Russian  
fleet out of action. Nevertheless we  
still hold that Britain and the United States,  
if they had some time ago acted in the har-  
mony for which their community of interests  
called, could have averted a struggle;  
whether it is now too late, we cannot say.

It will be noted from Reuter's telegram  
of the 3rd instant that the Mexican Mon-  
etary Commission has reported in favour of  
a gradual adoption by Mexico of a gold  
standard. This Commission is the one  
which, in company with a Commission from  
the United States, paid a visit to the prin-  
cipal capitals of Europe and discussed with  
the representatives of the various countries  
the world's currency question. The report  
to the Mexican Government, which will no  
doubt adopt its recommendations, is the  
first-fruit of the joint tour, and begins what  
we may hope is the last chapter but one in  
the history of the monetary standards of  
the world. The last chapter, needless  
perhaps to say, will begin with the adoption  
by China of a gold standard and the consequent  
universal recognition of the one metal. When  
Mexico has joined the majority, practically  
only China and Hongkong will be left out-  
side. By the wisdom of our rulers at home,  
this Colony is condemned to wait upon  
China. China's present position is as  
follows. By Article II. of the MACKAY  
treaty of 1902, it is provided that "China  
agrees to take the necessary steps to provide  
for a uniform national coinage which shall  
be legal tender in payment of all duties,  
taxes, and other obligations throughout the  
Empire by British as well as Chinese sub-  
jects." But, in spite of this, we know of  
no definite step having been taken to bring  
about this necessary reform. Sir ROBERT  
HART, Inspector-General of the Imperial  
Maritime Customs, has indeed recommended  
a scheme to the Government, which we  
reproduced in these pages some time ago;  
but there has been no indication that  
Peking has looked favourably upon it. An  
uniform silver currency will not do away  
with China's monetary troubles, though its  
adoption will be a move in the right direc-  
tion.

The absurdity of exchange between  
the various provinces will cease, but the  
dollar will not cease to respond to the rise  
and fall in the price of silver and the other  
smaller factors which contribute to the  
instability of the dollar. It is something  
gained that the Chinese Government has  
had the currency question presented to its  
eyes, and it is to be hoped that the latest  
development in Mexico will be duly  
impressed on China by outside advisers.  
Undoubtedly it is a most important develop-  
ment that the great silver-producing country  
of the world should contemplate "going  
gold." No less than four-fifths of the  
whole area of Mexico (which is over eight  
times the size of Great Britain, it must be  
remembered) are mining districts, and  
45 per cent. of Mexican exports consist  
of silver and gold. The latest figures to which  
we have access give the silver production of  
Mexico as 45,641,000 ounces. The best  
idea of the importance to Mexico of silver  
might be obtained, had we any means of  
computing how many Mexican dollars are in  
circulation in the Far East; but the task  
would be too stupendous, even though the  
receptive countries are now cut down to  
China and Hongkong. The fact that the  
Commission of experts appointed by Mexico  
thinks fit to advise the gradual conversion  
of their country to the side of the gold-  
standard states, though the minting of dollars  
is of course no small profit to Mexico, shows  
how convinced they are that stable currency  
tends to the benefit of the whole world.  
This being so, and their opinion being  
shared by all the great nations, the  
question remains, when is China coming  
into line?—a question to which the bulk of  
the residents in Hongkong above all others  
would like to know the answer.

The French Mail of the 1st December was  
delivered in London on the 4th inst.School re-opens at St. Joseph's College to-  
morrow, the 7th inst.Fifty-two years ago to-morrow ice one quarter  
of an inch thick was recorded at Canton. This  
record has never been equalled since, and it is  
not likely to be affected to-morrow.The demand for Singapore pineapples has  
increased so greatly of late that it far exceeds  
the supply, and growers and shippers are un-  
able to fill their orders.It is now stated that Viceroy Alexieff is not  
going to move his headquarters to Vladivostok,  
according to Japanese papers. It is also stated  
that the Russian Government at Vladivostok is  
to be removed to Khabarovsk.L'Echo de Chine says that it is announced  
from Tokyo that, in consequence of the anarchy  
prevailing in the Korean ports, Japan, under  
agreement with Russia, is sending her troops to  
restore order at Fusan, Masampo, and Chemulpo.The Nori Kru, Admiral Alexieff's organ,  
considers it a great mistake on the part of  
England to oppose Russia in the matter of Tibet  
at the very moment that symptoms of an  
Anglo-Russian rapprochement were being mani-  
fested! This is news indeed.It is announced at Port Arthur from Seoul  
that the Korean Government has addressed to the  
French Ambassador an official note a surging  
him that the rumours relative to the concession  
to the Japanese for the Seoul-Wiju railway are  
absolutely without foundation.The Japan Mail, while strongly deprecating  
Russia's procrastinating procedure in her  
negotiations with Japan, which is in such  
contrast with the diligence with which she is  
adding to her naval and military strength in  
the Far East, did not (on the 25th ult.) consider  
the situation hopeless."The acting secretary of the Panjoni Min-  
ing Co. Ltd., informs us that a telegram has been  
received from the mines dated 4th instant read-  
ing:—"Weather very much against us, Decem-  
ber crushing 1150 tons (Kalampong 900 and  
Swah 250); result 47 ounces, estimated value  
\$2,000. Mill working again, plenty of water."The gun which Captain Roberts, son of the  
Commander-in-Chief, lost his life in rescuing  
at the battle of Colenso has arrived at the Royal  
Arsenal, Woolwich. An inscription approved by  
the War Office, recording the heroism of the  
deceased officer, is being engraved upon the  
gun. When complete the weapon is to be  
presented to Lord Roberts as a family heirloom.Only two cases of communicable disease were  
reported in the Colony last week, one being of  
enteric fever and the other of small-pox. Both  
were European cases. Yet Hongkong is still  
partly quarantined in Manila, Shanghai, Siam,  
Indo-China, and British North Borneo. In  
the last instance, the ban seems a particular  
ontrage from a neighbouring British Colony.We in Hongkong have only too much ac-  
quaintance with the verb "to dump," especially  
during the plague season. A home paper says:—  
"The word 'dump' threatens before long to  
become an intolerable nuisance. Everything is  
dumped; those discussing the vital matter of  
whether we eat too much talk of 'dumping  
down food.' Mr. Henry Labouchere asks  
people to 'dump' down donations for his toy  
fund; motors 'dump' over rough roads; people  
'dump' into their stalls at the theatre; parties  
'dump' for a dinner at the Carlton. 'To dump,'  
in short, is the verb of the moment."The N.C. Daily News, quotes a Chingtu  
despatch, reporting the arrival in that city in  
November of three German officers, one being a  
doctor, on their travels through south-western  
China. The party after visiting various places  
of interest in the city left for Yachou on the  
28th November on their way, it is averred, for  
Tibet, which the members of the party intend  
to penetrate and, if possible, get through into  
India and so on southwards to Calcutta and  
thence by sea to Europe. While in Chingtu  
the visitors were given a most friendly recep-  
tion by Viceroy Hsi Liang and his subordinate  
officials.A Council of War was held at Tokyo on the  
morning of the 2nd ult., at which there were  
present Count Katsura, Baron Terauchi, Count  
Oyama, Baron Kodama, and Admirals Yamamoto  
and Ijima. The conference was continued in the  
afternoon, and subsequently Baron Terauchi,  
Minister of War, and Admiral Yamamoto,  
Minister of the Navy, were received in audience.  
The Kobe correspondent of the N.C. Daily  
News, from which we take this, also adds:—  
Progress is being made in the negotiations for  
the purchase of the Great Northern Co.'s tele-  
graph cable from Tsimshira to Fusan. There  
has been further rioting in Corea, and it is  
spreading towards Seoul.A pitious sight was witnessed yesterday  
afternoon at the Wellington Street corner of  
the fire-brigade station. An old Chinese for-  
tune-teller, delicate from old age, dressed in  
many padded garments to protect him from the  
cold, fell asleep on his stool, and tumbled on to  
the ground. Blood gushed from his head, mak-  
ing him a ghastly-looking spectacle. In less  
time than it takes to relate, a large crowd of  
Chinese gathered around, and with them came  
two Indian policemen, who seemingly lost  
their senses, not knowing what to do with  
the situation. After a lot of confusion the  
wounded man was got into a chair and conveyed  
to hospital.The measuring of ponies, in connection with  
the Hong-kong Jockey Club's race meeting,  
commences to-day.A gentleman who officiated as Santa Claus  
at a children's festival the other day is find-  
ing out that it was much easier to put on than to  
get off the paint with which he made his visage,  
rubicund.The campaign in Manila for the removal of  
Señor Legarda from the Civil Commission is  
growing stronger, and President Roosevelt has  
instructed the Governor, General Wright, to  
deal with the matter at his discretion.The Naval Yard workshop chimneys are  
keeping the adjacent part of Queen's Road  
under a cloud of smoke just now. This is  
another argument that Mr. Robert Shewan  
might have used in his letter to the Times.Lieutenant Elmer M. Mellon, Constabulary  
Supply Officer at Benguet, P.I., committed  
suicide at that place on the 31st ult. The  
deceased was held in great esteem by his superiors  
and it was no great trouble that led him to  
self-destruction.A home paper relates that a Chinese coolie  
had his leg amputated in a Peking hospital, and  
his life was thereby saved. His relations,  
however, smuggled arsenic into the hospital and  
killed the man in order that he might reach  
heaven at the same time as his leg.The following is the number of foreign and  
native newspapers in North China:—Peking,  
10; Tientsin, 14; Chefoo, 1; Tsingchen, 1;  
Weihaiwei, 1; Tsingtao, 1; Port Arthur, 1—  
making in all 29, of which 17 are in Chinese,  
7 in English, 1 in Japanese, 2 in German, 1 in  
Russian, and 1 in Italian.As the result of the recent looting by  
Chinese of one of the camps on the Canton-  
Fatsien railway, work on that particular  
section of the line is still practically at a  
standstill. Scarcity of tools impedes progress.  
On the other sections too, it is reported, there is  
not so much headway being made as could be  
desired by the promoters.The S. M. S. Sperber left Hongkong for the  
North yesterday, and the Amphitrite, Talbot,  
and Phoenix left port on Monday. The Fearless  
did not leave on Monday, as has been stated else-  
where. After the Amphitrite's departure, the  
Sparrowhawk was despatched after her to cancel  
her orders to stop in Mire Bay, and order her  
to proceed north. Great activity amongst the  
fleet in harbour is noticeable; the Leviathan  
has been in dock, the Cressy is to do likewise,  
and several warships have been coaling recently.  
Destroyers are kept fairly busy delving in and  
out of port. They leave for gun practice at Mire  
Bay in the morning, returning the same evening.

## FOOTBALL.

H.M.S. "LEVIATHAN" V. H.K.F.C.  
Played on Happy Valley yesterday afternoon,  
the men in blue shirts kicking off. During  
practically the whole of the first half the ball  
was kept at the Club end of the field, on three  
occasions Kew having to handle it. The  
Naval team were strong kickers, and altogether  
a more powerful lot than the Club men; the  
game was not exciting. Danby (appearing at  
half) and Bonnar played a good game, Bonnar  
on several occasions robbing his man. A hard  
shot by the Navy just grazed the cross-bar.  
After an unanswered cry for "hands" by the  
Club, the Navy made another bad shot.  
Bonnar, while encountering the right-wing,  
got an elbow in the wind; after he had  
secured the ball, he lay down and play  
was suspended to allow him to recover.  
Whitmore then dodged up the right wing,  
but was too heavily met. No direct attack  
was made on the Navy goal. At half-time  
the score was nil.

In the second half Hongkong again had most  
of the defence; Kew in goal, however, was a wall  
of defence. Cooper, Ansell, and Williams  
played a much better game in this half, and  
Bonnar continued well to the fore. Hodgson,  
the Navy's outside right, did exceptionally good  
work throughout. Kew altogether made five  
good saves. Danby brought the ball up the left  
wing, but Whitmore lost the advantage by mak-  
ing a bad kick when within a few yards of goal.  
Williams then scored a goal for the Club.  
Murphy, the Navy's half, got the worst of a  
collision, and play was suspended for a short time.  
At whistle the game was—H.K.F.C. 1—0.  
Mr. Frank Brown was referee.  
The Club played one man short.

## ROYAL HONGKONG YACHT CLUB.

The race for the Commodore's Cup will  
be sailed on Saturday, the 16th inst. Start  
1 p.m. over either of the two following  
alternative courses. The selected course will  
be posted in the Club before 11.30 a.m. on  
the day of the race, and be indicated at the  
starting point by a notice in large letters.  
Course 1 or Course 2 as the case may be.  
Course 1:—  
Rock 1 mile S.W. of Cowechean (Post)  
Course 2:—  
Mark boat in Quarry Bay, Kowloon Rocks,  
East Rocks buoy, Channel Rocks (all to port).  
No time limit for finishing. Handicap—

Vernon	...	...	...	Scratch
Elsbeth	...	...	...	Min Secs
Dione	...	...	...	2
Alannah	...	...	...	6
One-designers	...	...	...	10
Iris	...	...	...	15
Gloria	...	...	...	15
Chanticleer	...	...	...	17
Doreen	...	...	...	17

## TELEGRAMS.

## "DAILY PRESS" SERVICE.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENTS.]

## THE NORTHERN CRISIS.

Kobe, 5th January, 3.25 p.m.

OMINOUS STEP—"PRACTICALLY A  
STATE OF WAR."

The Japanese War Office Department has  
issued to-day an official notification pro-  
hibiting the newspapers, until further  
notice, from publishing the movements of  
troops or anything in any way calculated to  
disclose the strategic plans of the Japanese  
Army or Navy.

This step shows that the Japanese  
Government regards the situation as practi-  
cally amounting to a state of war.

London, 5th January, 11.00 a.m.

## NAVAL ACTIVITY.

Five Russian destroyers have left Malta  
for the Far East. The Sebastopol squadron  
has also received orders to leave for the  
same destination. The Italian warships  
Marco Polo, Deynli and Umbria are also  
leaving for the East.

All Japanese officers in Germany and  
Italy have been recalled.

## THE SECOND TEST MATCH.

London, 5th January, 11.00 a.m.

## ENGLAND'S VICTORY.

England has gained a second victory over  
the Australians in the Test Matches by a  
margin of 185 runs.

## REUTER'S SERVICE.

## THE CHICAGO DISASTER.

London, 3rd January.

The funeral of a part of the victims of the  
recent fire in Chicago took place yesterday;  
the number of the victims is so great that funerals  
will continue to-day and on Monday. The city  
is plunged into universal mourning, and all  
public institutions and shops are closed. Many  
of the victims are still unidentified.

## MEXICAN MONETARY COMMISSION.

London, 3rd January.

The Mexican Monetary Commission has  
reported in favour of a gradual adoption of a  
gold standard.

## VICEROY ALEXIEFF.

London, 3rd January.

An Imperial ukase grants Admiral Alexieff  
a special Viceroyal flag and accords him a  
salute of twelve guns.

## THE SITUATION IN THE FAR EAST.

London, 3rd January.

S. Petersburg still maintains silence.  
Reports from Peking are extremely pessimistic.  
The officers of the Russian Squadron at  
Biserta en route to the Far East gave a  
brilliant reception yesterday evening, at which  
the most cordial toasts were exchanged; the  
French Resident expressed the unchangeable  
affection of France for Russia. The squadron  
leaves to-day for the Far East.

## CORRESPONDENCE.

## WASHING THE MARKETS.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "DAILY PRESS."

Hongkong, 5th January.

SIR,—I note that the Hongkong markets are  
washed out in the morning, and I would like to  
add that this practice leaves them in a most  
disagreeable, sloppy condition for early pur-  
chasers; traffic over the wet ground, also, soon  
makes them in a very filthy condition. I am  
not aware of there being any reason why the  
markets should not be cleaned in the evening,  
after the shops are closed; this would give them  
time to get dry and respectable before morning.  
—Yours, etc.,  
C. D.

## ROYAL HONGKONG GOLF CLUB.

The following cards were returned at the  
R.H.K.G.C.'s monthly meeting for January,  
1904:—

CAPTAIN'S CUP.			
Mr. S. T. Reid	...	91	— 12 = 79
Mr. A. C. Butt	...	93	— 14 = 79
Mr. J. Johnston	...	98	— 5 = 80
Dr. Darrell	...	98	— 18 = 80
Mr. J. E. Lee	...	91	— 8 = 83
Mr. C. H. Grace	...	97	— 14 = 83
Mr. A. Brooke Smith	...	95	— 17 = 84
Mr. D. Story	...	102	— 18 = 84
Lieut. Wilson, P.N.	...	103	— 18 = 85
Dr. Drew	...	96	— 10 = 86
Mr. H. W. Slade	...	98	— 12 = 86
POOL.			
Mr. A. C. Butt	...	91	— 14 = 77
Mr. S. T. Reid	...	91	— 12 = 79
Lieut. Wilson, P.N.	...	93	— 18 = 80
Capt. Harris	...	93	— 12 = 81
Mr. A. W. Campbell	...	92	— 7 = 85
29 entries.			

## FOOCHOW.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]  
Foochow, 31st Decem.

## VANDERBILT VISITS.

The reaction after race week finds dull  
news. The U.S. cruiser Wilmington is here  
for a week, and an excellent dance was given  
in the Club to the officers, who kindly lent small  
string bands for the occasion. H.I.G.M. Ambon,  
Luchs has been and gone; whilst the panose  
cruiser Takachiho arrived a week ago and still  
here—rumour has it to protect the remote  
cable in case of trouble with Russ. We  
noticed her sand-bags hung out all rad the  
ship for an airing.

## LOUISIANA PURCHASE EXHIBIT.

By the courtesy of the Commissioner Cas-  
tens the contributions to be forwarded a week  
to this exhibition from this port were view.  
The lacquer furniture is by far the item,  
as it is the largest. Models of Chinese figures  
and some very clever carved work are pro-  
minent. But if what we saw repeats the  
best work Foochow can produce we do not think  
visitors to this exhibition will be impressed very  
much. I understand it opens on the 15th.

## FOOCHOW CAMERA CLUB.

The annual Loan Exhibition is the held  
next month (January). Exhibits, cargo paid,  
must be addressed to Hon. Sec. Foochow  
Camera Club, before the 15th Jan'y, both  
amateur and professional.

## PAKHOI ATHLETIC SPORTS.

[FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.]

The sports, which were announced some  
time ago to take place during the festive season,  
came off successfully on the afternoon of Christmas  
Day, in most auspicious circumstances, though  
the sun was probably a little too strong to be  
comfortable for the competitors. The site  
selected was a suitable piece of ground at the  
rear of the British Consulate, kindly placed at  
the disposal of the committee by J. Connel  
Little. The arrangements throughout were  
quite an improvement on those of previous  
year. There was a spacious match-secured for  
the accommodation of ladies and chren, and a  
separate booth for native gentlemen. The ladies  
turned out in good numbers, and their presence  
contributed not a little to the success of the  
affair. Refreshments and cakes were liberally  
served to all present, and the committee were  
most attentive to the duty of lying after  
the comfort of one and all present. The number  
of natives who also patrolled the  
foreigners' sports was, needless state, very  
large, so much so that it took out fifteen  
Customs boatmen and as many "braves,"  
lent by the commander of thearrison, to  
keep the ground clear of the res formed  
by the crowd of native spectators.

The following were the results, with

- 1.—Messagerie Race (handicap), 500 yds. The  
competitors wearing costume. An extra  
prize was given to the best costume, to  
be approved by the ladies.  
Master Johnston's goat ... 1  
Miss Messy's goat ... 2  
F. R. G. da Cruz and A. Vilms, prizes  
for best costumes.
- 2.—100 yards Flat Race (handicap).  
G. E. Bell ... 1  
E. Bulbrook ... 2
- 3.—Egg and Spoon Race, 50 yds.  
F. R. G. da Cruz ... 1  
T. Loureiro ... 2
- 4.—Long Jump.  
E. Bulbrook, 15 ft. 5 in. ... 1  
E. Durlach, 14 ft. 8 in. ... 2  
V. Drayson, 13 ft. 4 in. ... 3
- 5.—Needle and Thread Race.  
E. Bulbrook and Madame Yello, 1
- 6.—Three-legged Race.  
T. Loureiro and V. Drayson ... 1  
E. Bulbrook and R. Hen ... 2
- 7.—Stone and Bucket Race.  
V. Drayson ... 1  
F. R. G. da Cruz ... 2
- 8.—Wheelbarrow Race.  
E. Durlach ... 1  
C. E. Bell ... 2
- 9.—Obstacle Race.  
V. Drayson ... 1  
E. Durlach ... 2
- 10.—Tag-of-War—"Strongest" Weak.

8 a-side.  
Mr. G. E. Bell and Mr. Durlach were  
elected captains. The latter won the  
toss, he had the advantage picking a few  
"strong." In the tussle the teams appear-  
ed to be well matched, each vying well his  
ground for nearly a minute, when Mr. Dur-  
lach's team began to drag the opponents inch  
by inch to the finish. The struggle occupied  
1½ min.

Durlach's team ... 1  
At the conclusion of the prize Mr. J. C.  
Johnston, the new Commissioner of Customs,  
on behalf of the committee, presented to the  
successful winners for the arrival of the  
prizes, which had been ordered from Hong-  
kong, announcing at the same time that the  
distribution of prizes would take place at his  
(Mr. Johnston's) residence at the arrival of  
the objects, and that a civic would be sent  
round to invite all present to attend.

Judges.—Messrs. L. Flaye (French Consul)  
H. A. Little (British Consul), Augustus Schom-  
burg.  
Starter.—Mr. F. J. Ahorn (Harbour  
Master).

Executive Committee.—Messrs. J. C. John-  
ston (Commissioner of Customs), H. von  
Varchmin (German Consul), J. H. Lowry,  
Secretary to the Committee.—Mr. E.  
Durlach.

PRIZE DISTRIBUTION.  
The prizes having arrived the H.K. on the  
26th ult. the committee invited the community to  
meet at Mr. Johnston's residence at 4.30 o'clock  
on the following Monday to witness the final  
ceremony. The whole community answered to  
the invitation, and about 5 o'clock Mrs. Johnston  
started to dispose of the prizes. To each of the  
winners she spoke a few appropriate words, as  
she handed them their prizes. Before the  
company dispersed, cheers were given to Mrs.  
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BY  
GUY BOOTHBY

(Author of "Dr. Nikola," "My Indian  
Queen," &c., &c.)

CHAPTER I.

Bless my soul, how clearly it all comes back  
to me! Years have gone by since it happened,  
yet it is so fresh in my memory, that it seems as  
if it were but yesterday. I've seen some  
curious things one way and another in my time,  
but I think my own love story is about the  
most curious of them all. I remember when  
I was only a scrap of a boy how I used to tell  
myself stories, and hoped that, when my time  
should come to fall in love, it would be in a ro-  
mantic fashion. Little did I imagine how ro-  
mantic it was destined to be. Have patience  
with me, and I will do my best to tell you about  
it. You must, however, remember that I'm not  
much of a fist with a pen. I'm better at doing  
a thing than writing about it. Let that be as it  
may, however, you shall have the story for what  
it is worth, and then if it does not come up to  
expectations, I shall at least have the satisfac-  
tion of having tried to do my best. More than  
that no man can do.

To begin with, let me say that I have been  
knocking about the world ever since I was a bit  
of a boy. As a matter of fact I ran away from  
school in order to go to sea, and a precious hard  
time I had of it. I was twice wrecked before I  
was eighteen, and on the last occasion came  
very near to losing my life. However, that's  
neither here nor there. I didn't lose it, or I  
shouldn't be spinning this tale now. What do  
you think? But let us start fair and see what  
we can do.

I'm willing to confess that from my earliest  
childhood I always had a longing to visit the  
Southern Seas. So far as I was concerned it  
was "The Home of Romance," the World's  
Fairland in fact! I dreamt continually of  
enchanted islands, of maidens more than fair,  
of pleasant sea fronts, where the palm trees rustle  
their leaves, the sand upon the beaches is  
always warm, and the little waves creep in as if  
they are afraid that their noise will break the  
stillness and the general harmony.

As a matter of fact, I put in eight years of  
that sort of life, as you shall presently hear, and  
then I thought I'd earned a holiday. I wonder  
if you know what a holiday means to a man  
who has been working, morning, noon, and  
night, for eight long years? There's not much  
fun in work that keeps you at it like that, I can  
assure you.

It was on the 23rd of July, never mind in  
what year, that I left Sydney in the sailing ship  
"Hullet," bound for London via the Cape.  
What I was going to do in England when I got  
there I did not know, neither, I'm afraid, did I  
very much care. All my people, and by my  
people I mean my own immediate relatives,  
were dead, so that I could expect nothing in the  
way of amusement or hospitality from them.  
However, I had made up my mind to go, and  
go I accordingly did. I suppose Fate must have  
had some hand in the matter; at any rate,  
looking back at it now, I know that I could not  
have done a better thing to promote my own  
happiness. If you can manage to struggle  
through the yarn I've set myself to spin, you  
may or may not agree with me. I think at the  
end of it all you will admit that I am right.

We were in the doldrums—and if you want  
to know what boredom means try what they can  
do for you! A stagnant sea—without a ripple—  
a surface smooth as glass—and not enough  
wind to make even a caudle flame flicker; the  
sails hanging limp upon the yards, and the  
broiling sun beating down upon the decks, till  
the very pitch bubbles in the seams! Never  
until that time did I realise the truth of what  
Coleridge's "Ancient Mariner" said—

"The very deep did rot: O Christ!  
That ever this should be!  
Yea, slimy things did crawl with legs,  
Upon the slimy sea."

Taking one thing with another, I don't suppose  
there is anything more monotonous in this  
world than to lie, day after day, sluggishly  
rolling on what would otherwise be considered a  
smooth sea. No one seems to care to do any-  
thing save to lol in deck chairs, and to pray for  
the breeze that does not come; every amuse-  
ment has long since palled, the Ball-board  
knows not a single rotary, while the Quoit pegs  
stands neglected in the shadow of the companion  
hatch. It is a time when tempers are not to  
be trusted, when the smallest spark is sufficient  
to kindle a conflagration. We were not a par-  
ticularly interesting company at all. The skipper  
was a pompous little man, standing scarcely  
more than five foot two in his patent leather  
shoes, which, by the way, he wore even in the  
tropics. He was a great martinet, and seemed to  
entertain the notion that, so far as the other sex  
were concerned, his charms were irresistible.  
He had one other failing, if by that word I may  
describe it, and that was an inordinate love of  
scent. The chief mate was a burly Scotchman,  
a good seaman, though somewhat too slow for  
my fancy. The second and third were decent  
young fellows, who call for no special descrip-  
tion. The only passenger numbered eight,  
including myself; an elderly Australian squat-  
ter, named Macpherson, and his wife, who were  
visiting England after forty years' absence; a  
Miss Pleyden, a lady about thirty years of age,  
who had been a governess in Melbourne, and who  
was going home to be married to a country par-  
son, whose photograph she carried continually  
about with her. I heard afterwards, quite by  
chance, that the match never came to anything,

he having married somebody else whilst she was  
on the high seas.

A "triflesome" and rather pretty widow, with a  
daughter who looked almost as old as herself,  
gave a little life to the party, as I'll prove to  
you directly. There was also a young gentleman,  
with his tutor, who had gone out in the ship for  
his health. They call for no especial remark, save  
that the tutor gave himself insufferable airs upon  
the strength of his University experiences, and  
ruled his charge with a rod of iron. Early in the  
voyage, he got it into his head that the fascinat-  
ing widow was setting her cap at him, and as  
the captain had developed a similar notion, we  
lookers-on prepared ourselves for an amusing  
comedy. The two quarrelled on every possible  
occasion, until we began to fear that the conse-  
quences might in the end be serious. The lady  
herself pretended to be unaware of the trouble  
she was causing, though it was easy for us to see  
that in reality she did not take the least interest  
in either of them, but was playing one off  
against the other for her own amusement.

Having described the others to you, I suppose  
I should attempt to give you some notion of my-  
self, John Bramwell, at your service. At this  
time I was just past my thirty-fifth birthday,  
stood about six feet in my socks, was not over-  
burdened with good looks, and, as I have  
told you, had been knocking about the world for  
more years than I cared to re-  
member. I have already said that my parents  
were dead. My father had been a lawyer in a  
small country town, and I am sorry to say had  
not made much of a success at it. He was a deli-  
cate man, and my mother's death, which oc-  
curred three years after I left home, proved such  
a blow to him that he never recovered from it,  
and eventually died, leaving me a hundred  
pounds and just enough over to settle his debts  
and funeral expenses. After considerable delay  
the money was remitted to me in Australia, in  
which country I had just arrived from San  
Francisco. By this time I had got my second  
mate's certificate. Grieved as I naturally felt at  
his death, the blow was somewhat softened by  
the knowledge that he had always been an  
invalid, and that since my mother's death he  
had taken little or no interest in his profession  
or indeed in life itself.

(To be continued.)

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J. M. BECK,

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ABRIA	HAVRE and HAMBURG	On 30th Jan.	Freight & Passengers.
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Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless intimation is received from the Consignee before Noon, To-day, the 30th inst., requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned, Goods remaining undelivered after Wednesday, the 6th January, at Noon, will be subject to rent and landing charges.

All claims must be sent in to me on or before the 6th January, or they will not be recognised.

All damaged packages will be examined on Wednesday, the 6th January, at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Agent.

Hongkong, 30th December, 1903.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

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Goods not cleared by the 8th inst., at 4 P.M., will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever.

Damaged packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignee's and the Company's representative at an appointed hour.

All Claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognised.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns.

E. A. HEWETT, Superintendent.

Hongkong, 2nd January, 1904.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

CONSIGNEES per Company's Steamer

"NESTOR."

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Optional cargo will be landed, unless notice has been given to prior to steamer's arrival.

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No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the steamer's Godown, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 11th inst. will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the undersigned on or before the 18th inst., or they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, 4th January, 1904.

FROM HAMBURG, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE H.A.L. Steamship

"ALEXIA."

Captain Schofield, having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature by the Undersigned and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before Noon, To-day, the 4th inst.

Any Cargo impeding the discharge will be landed into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, and stored at Consignee's risk and expense.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 11th inst. will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 11th inst., at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE, Hongkong Office.

Hongkong, 4th January, 1904.

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"TJIMAHU."

Captain von Wyk, having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk in the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, at Kowloon.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 11th January will be subject to rent.

All Claims for damage must be sent in before the 9th January, or they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the undersigned.

The steamer will be despatched for Singapore, Batavia, Cheribon, Samarang, Sourabaya and Macassar.

HOLLAND CHINA TRADING COMPANY, Agents.

Hongkong, 4th January, 1904.

BOSTON TOWBOAT COMPANY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STEAMSHIP "LYRA."

FROM TACOMA, VICTORIA, YOKOHAMA, AND KOBE.

CARGO on the above Steamer having arrived, at Kobe per "Hongkong Maru," Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside the latter steamer.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignee's risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

DODWELL & CO., LD., Agents.

Hongkong, 2nd January, 1904.

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Hongkong, 12th December, 1903.

NOTIFICATION.

CHINESE INDEMNITY OF 1901.

An instalment of 25 per cent of the Certificate amount is hereby declared payable on Coupon "D" of Certificates issued in payment of British Private Claims under the provisions of the Notification of 11th June, 1902.

Coupons are payable at the Office of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, 31 Lombard Street, London



